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Stepping up: Porting V2 JavaScript Maps API applications to V3

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Google Wave at I/O

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View live notes and ask questions on Google Wave

The screenshot displays the Google Wave interface. On the left, the 'Navigation' sidebar shows links for Inbox, All, By Me, Requests, Settings, Trash, and Spam. Below it is the 'Extensions' section, 'Searches', and 'Folders'. The 'Contacts' section lists users like Susan, Roger, Mina, Aseem, Christian, Yanka, and Vida. The main area shows a search results page for 'group:io2010-wave@googlegroups.com tag:io2010' with 31 items. One item is highlighted: 'Live Wave: A beginner's guide to Android' by Google I/O 2010 Bot, Pamela Fox and 3 others. This item is also shown in a larger 'Live Wave: A beginner's guide to Android' window. The wave window includes tabs for Reply, Edit, Playback, Follow, Spam, Read, and Unread. It shows attendees and a question from Pamela Fox: "Can you write Android apps in Python?". A large callout box highlights the question: "Porting V2 JavaScript Applications To V3". The bottom of the wave window shows recent activity and live notes.

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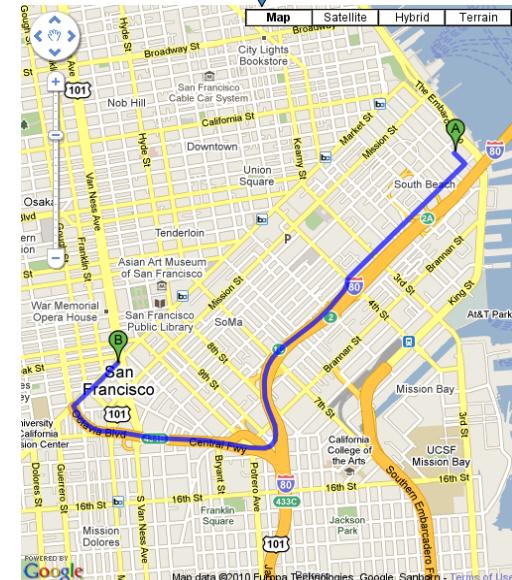
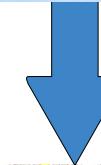
"Knowledge is the antidote to fear."

Ralph Waldo Emerson



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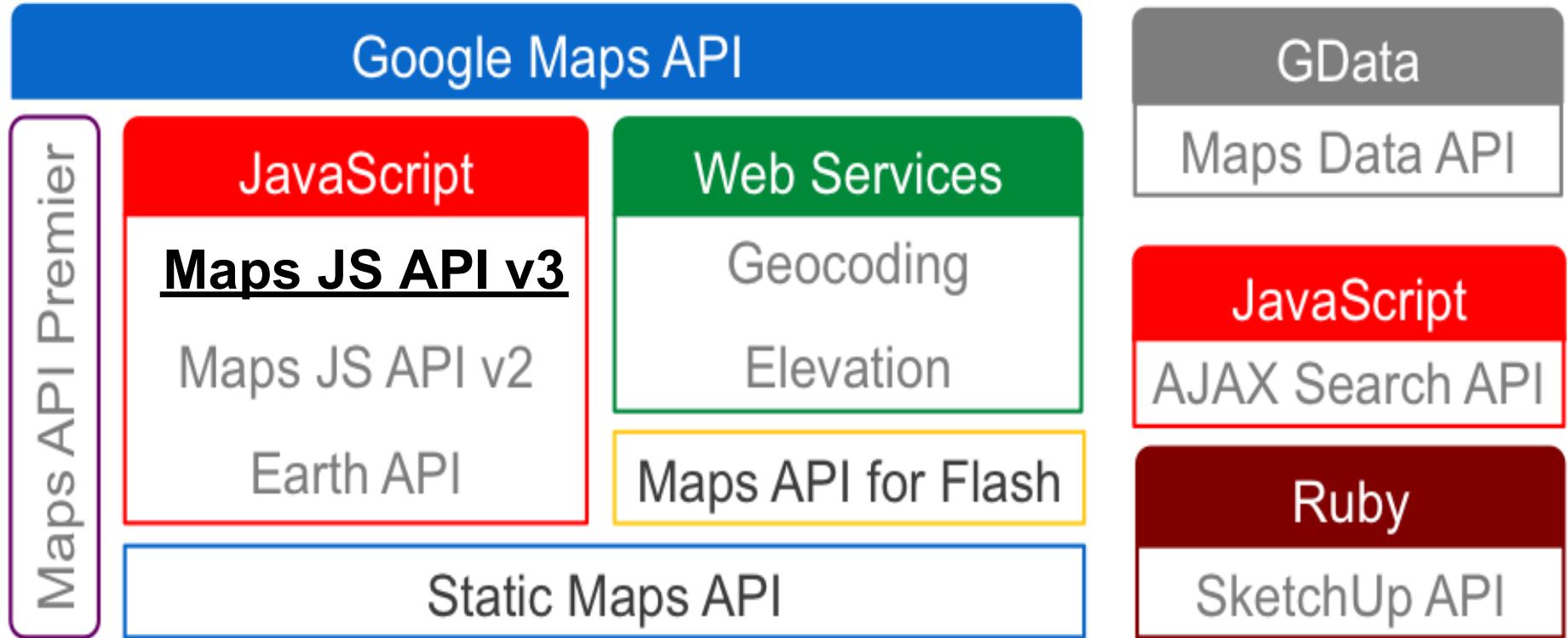
- Plant the seed on migration
- Understand why
- Understand the benefits
- Know what to expect



Why attend this session?

- Learn more about V3
- What's different between V3 and V2?
- Planning future roadmaps
- You're an existing V2 developer

Google Geo API Landscape



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V2: Summary

- Browser support: IE6+, FF2+, Safari3.1+, Chrome
- Over 350K active sites
- Versioning: v=2.s, v=2, v=2.x
- Utility libraries: MarkerClusterer, DragZoom, etc
- Strong developer community (~43K members)

V2: Strong Feature Set

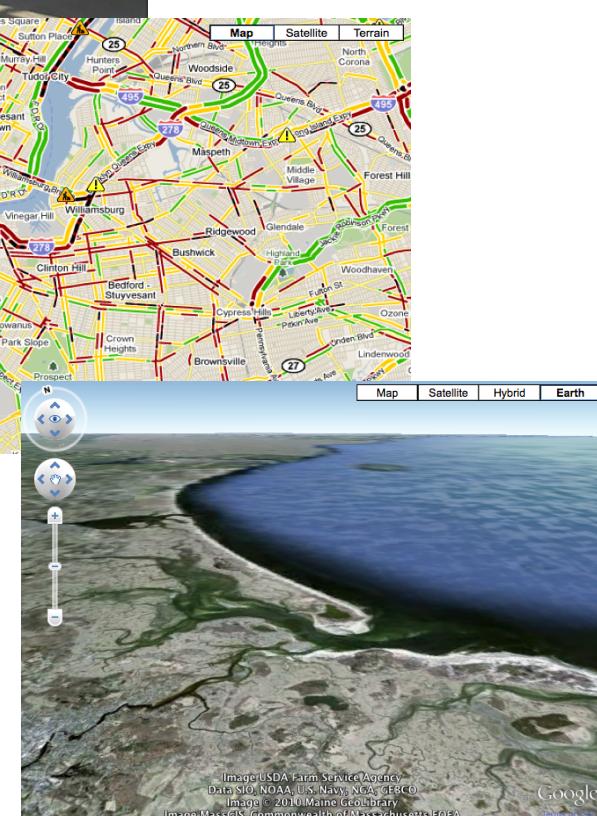
- Street View



- Traffic Overlays

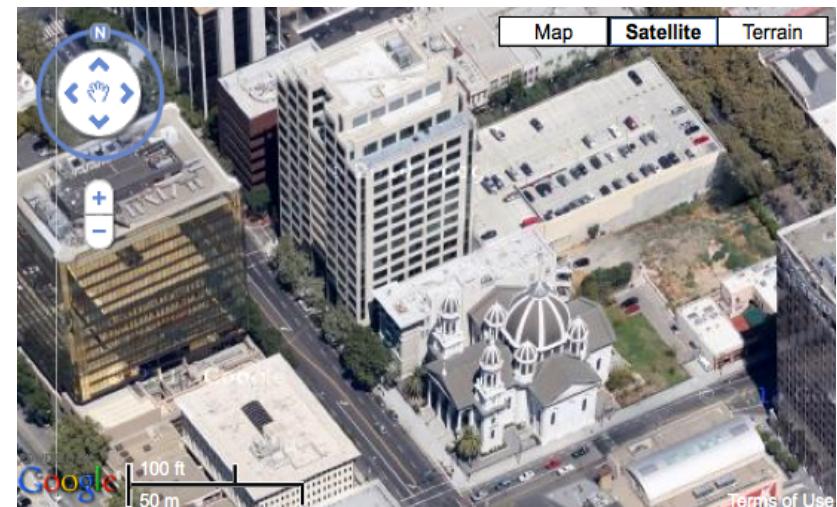
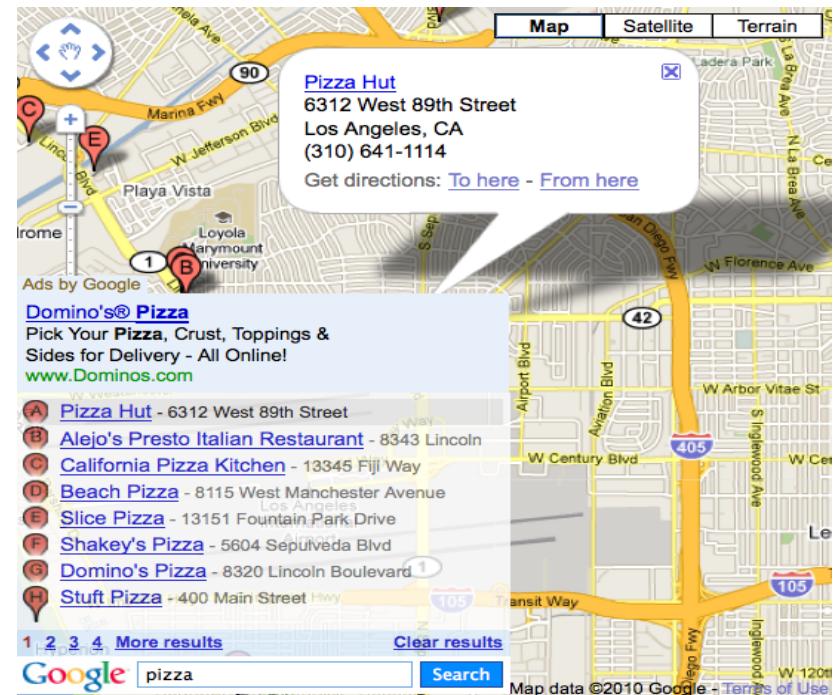


- Google Earth Plugin



V2: Strong Feature Set

- KML/KMZ/GeoRSS Layers
- Tile Overlays
- Custom Map Types
- Monetization:
GGoogleBar, GAdsManager
- Aerial Imagery
- Directions
- Geocoder



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Demo: V2 and V3, Side by Side

1. Map on mobile:

V2 => <http://goo.gl/j5Qq>

V3 => <http://goo.gl/DWEA>

2. Add **N** markers

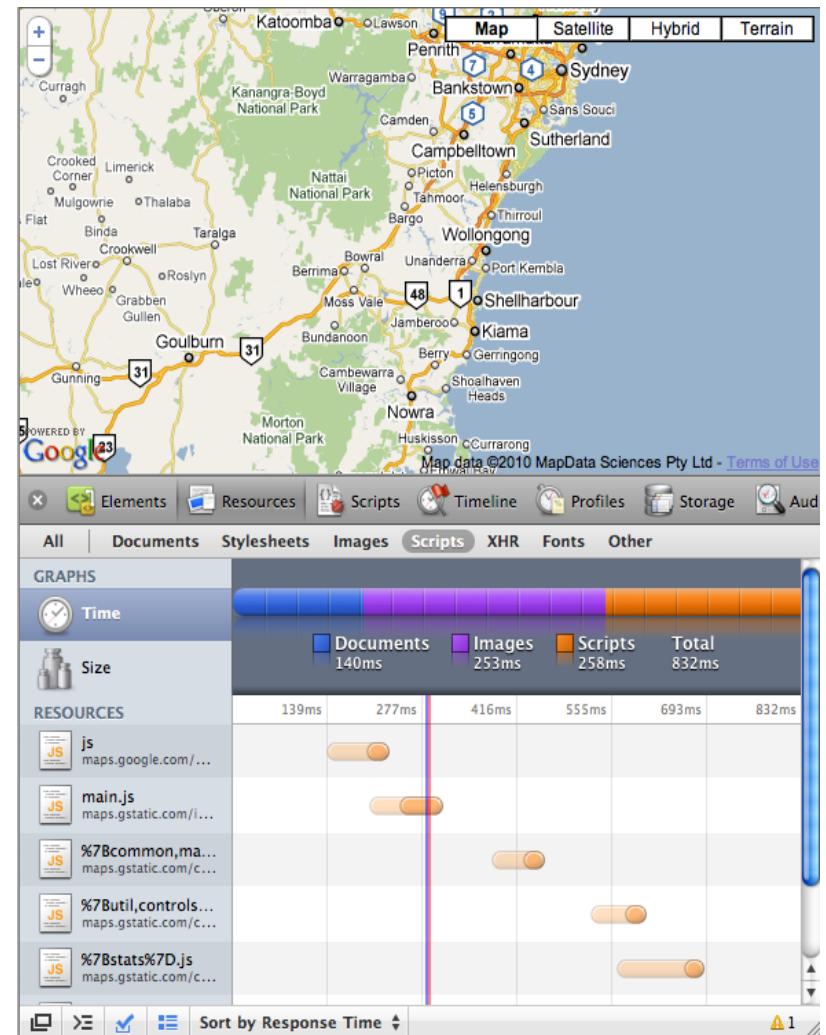
3. Add **N** markers (using MarkerClusterer)

What are some problems with V2?

- Not optimized for mobile
- Older design: GMap, GMarker, GControl, GLatLng
- Large JavaScript file sizes
- Requires a Maps API key

V2: Performance

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main.js	184.4K	66.0K
tiles	38.6K	12.8K
Total	~245K	~85K



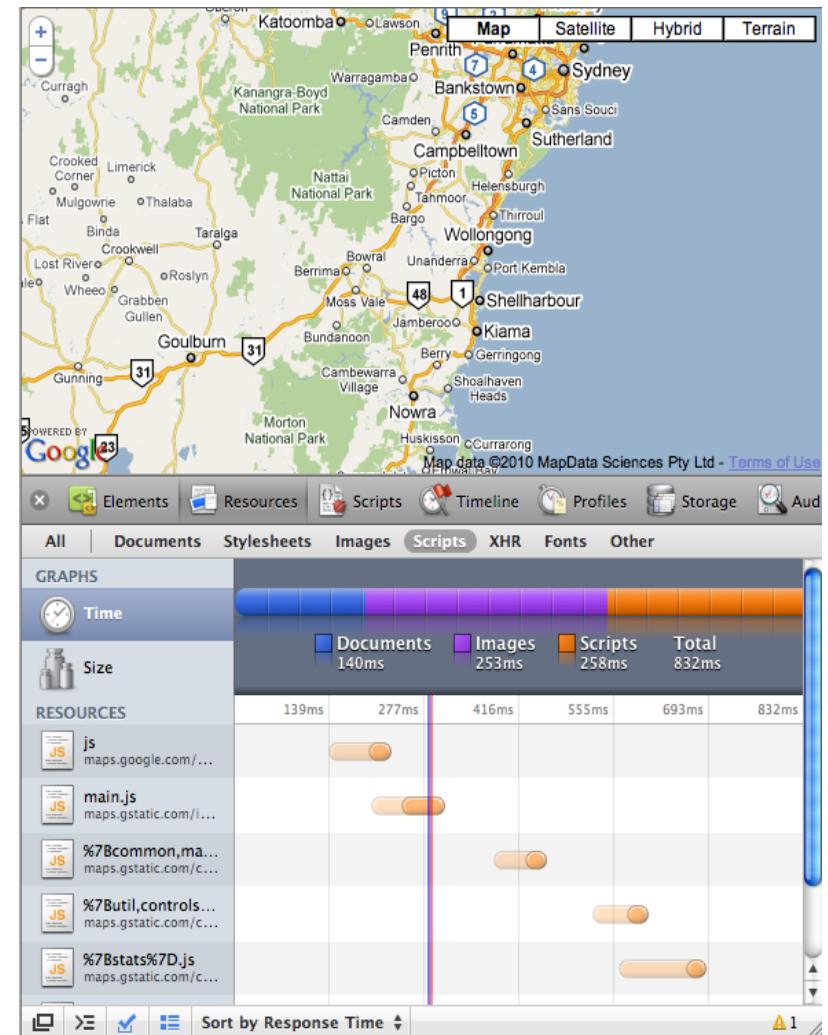
What does V3 offer?

- Mobile browser support: Android, iPhone
- Performance
- New architecture: MVC
- Better namespacing: google.maps.*
- New features, e.g. Biking directions, Elevation service



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Performance Comparison: V3 and V2

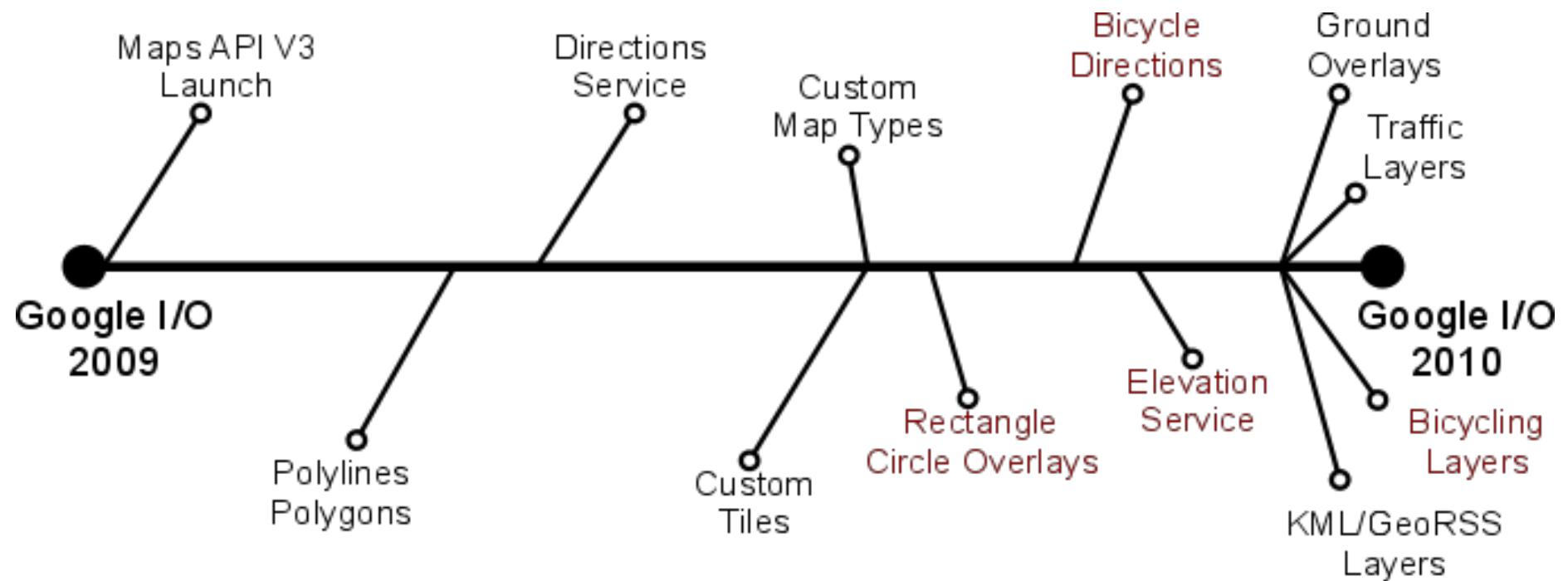
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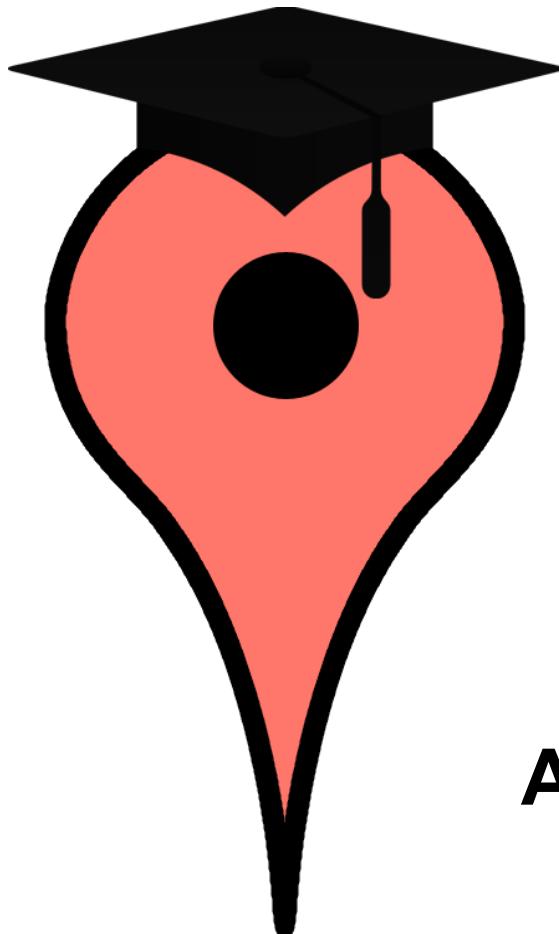
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V3: Looking back



Announcements



- V3 graduating from Google Code Labs!
- V2 deprecation (3+ year support plan)

All Geo sessions focusing on V3

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V3 Summary

- Browser support: IE7+, FF3+, Safari4+, Chrome, Android
- New versioning scheme: v=3, v=3.1
- Utility libraries: MarkerClusterer, InfoBox, KeyDragZoom
- Growing developer community (~15K members)

V3 Features

- Core objects: Map, Markers, Info Windows, Polys
- Custom overlays, controls, tiles
- Geocoder
- Directions service

New features:
Bicycling layer

- Ground overlays
- KML/KMZ/GeoRSS layers
- Traffic layers

Elevation service

Rectangle/Circle overlays

MVC objects

What are some challenges?

- Feature parity
- Syntactical changes, e.g. namespace
- Overlays => Map, not the reverse
- New Geocoder request/response specification
- New Directions service + renderer

Migration Planning

Good to think about before getting started

- What API features does my V2 application use?
(Break down your existing application, not literally)
- Which features are available in V3?
- Take baby steps; Start small, build upon it

Migration Planning

Good to think about before getting started

- Where to get help if needed?

<http://groups.google.com/group/google-maps-js-api-v3/>

- How to file bugs and feature requests

<http://code.google.com/p/gmaps-api-issues/>

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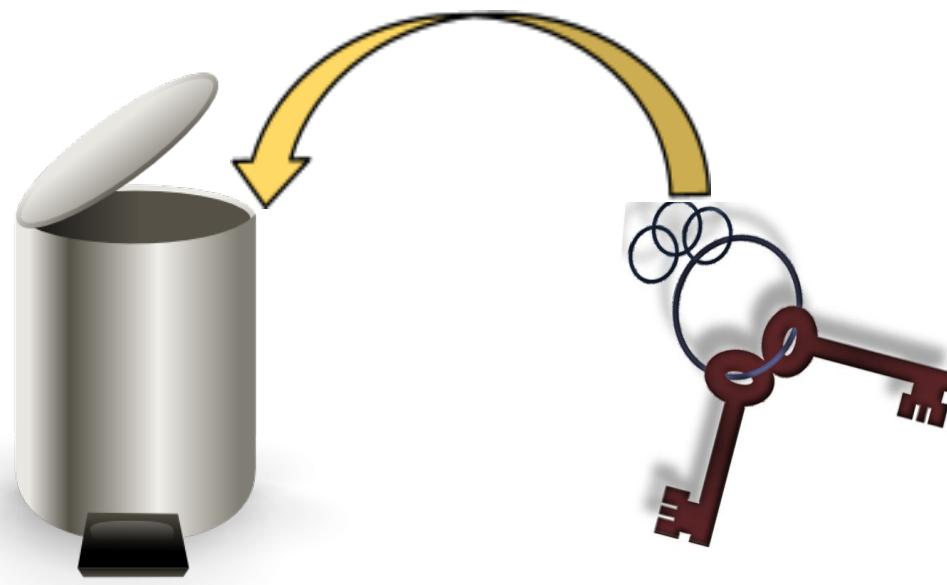
V2

```
<script src="http://maps.google.com/maps?  
file=api&v=2&key=abcdefg&sensor=true" type="text/javascript"></script>
```

No more API keys!

V3

```
<script src="http://maps.google.com/maps/api/js?sensor=true" type="text/javascript"></script>
```



Migration Tips

Start with the basics

V3: Bad

```
<script src="http://maps.google.com/maps/api/js?sensor=set_to_true_or_false"  
       type="text/javascript"></script>
```

Sensor parameter is ***required***

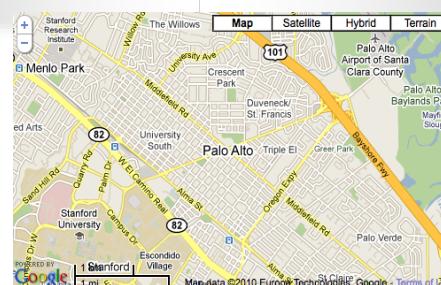
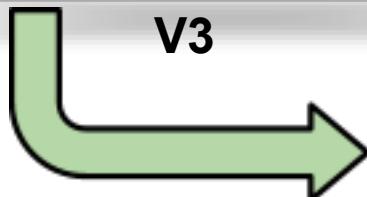
V3: Good

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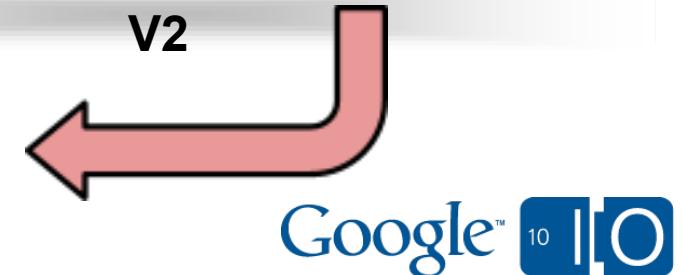
Migration Tips

Start with the basics: Display a map

```
<div id="map-canvas" style="width:500px;  
height:300px"></div>  
<script type="text/javascript">  
function initialize() {  
  var myOptions = {  
    zoom: 13,  
    center: new google.maps.LatLng  
(37.4419, -122.1419),  
    mapTypeId: google.maps.MapTypeId.  
ROADMAP  
  };  
  var map = new google.maps.Map(  
    document.getElementById("map-  
canvas"),  
    myOptions);  
}  
</script>
```



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<div id="map-canvas" style="width:  
500px; height: 300px"></div>  
<script type="text/javascript">  
function initialize() {  
  if (GBrowserIsCompatible()) {  
    var map = new GMap2(document.  
getElementById("map-canvas"));  
    map.setCenter(new GLatLng(37.4419,  
-122.1419), 13);  
    map.setUIToDefault();  
  }  
}  
</script>
```

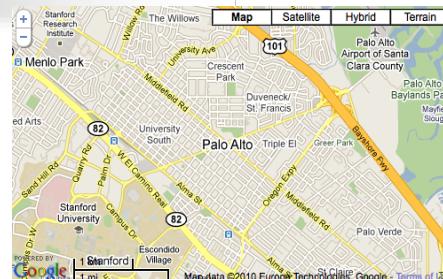
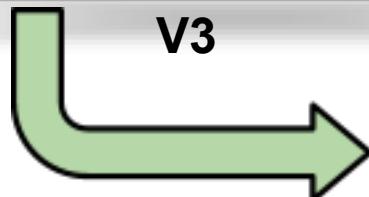


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ROADMAP  
    };  
    var map = new google.maps.Map(  
        document.getElementById("map-  
        canvas"),  
        myOptions);  
}  
</script>
```

- No GBrowserCompatible
- Required fields: mapTypeId, zoom, center
- Map options specification
- GMap2 => google.maps.Map



Migration Tips

Overlays

- Map knows nothing about what overlays it holds
- Overlays add/remove themselves to Map, not the reverse

V2

```
Map.addOverlay(Marker)  
Map.removeOverlay(Marker)
```

V3

```
Marker.setMap(Map)  
Marker.setMap(null)
```



```
Map.openInfoWindow()  
Map.closeInfoWindow()
```



```
InfoWindow.open(Map)  
InfoWindow.close()
```

Migration Tips

Overlays

- Avoids bloating the `google.maps.Map` object with add/remove functions
- Initial download size stays low
- Great for mobile

Migration Tips

Adding overlays

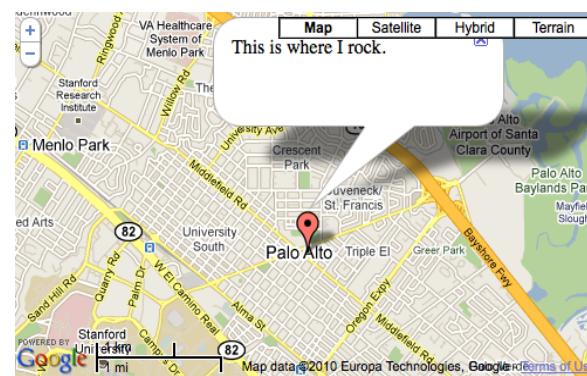
```
var marker = new google.maps.Marker();  
marker.setPosition(map.getCenter());  
marker.setMap(map);
```

```
var infoWindow = new google.maps.  
InfoWindow();  
infoWindow.setContent('I love it here!');  
infoWindow.open(map, marker);
```

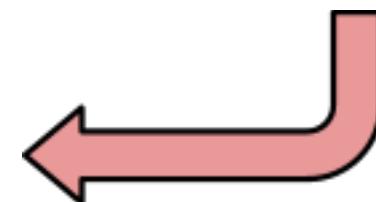
```
var marker = new GMarker(map.  
getCenter());  
map.addOverlay(marker);
```

```
map.openInfoWindowHtml(  
    map.getCenter(),  
    'I like it here!');
```

V3



V2



Migration Tips

Removing overlays (unbinding)

```
marker.setMap(null);  
infoWindow.close();
```

V3

```
map.removeOverlay(marker);  
map.closeInfoWindow();
```

V2

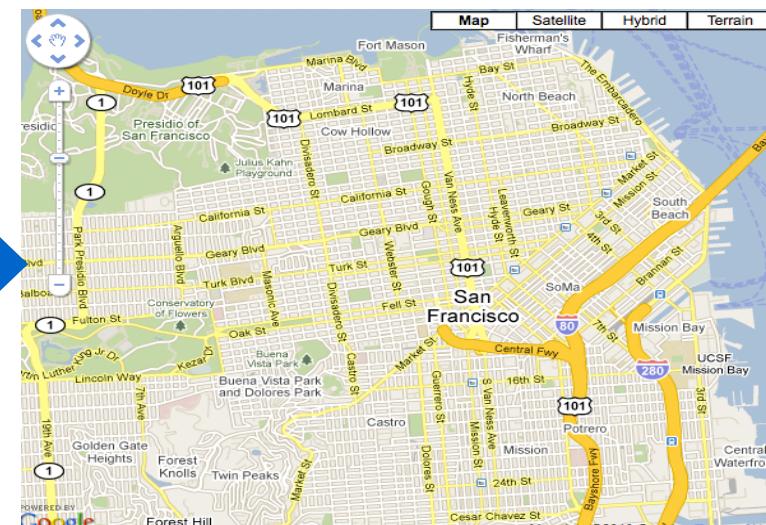
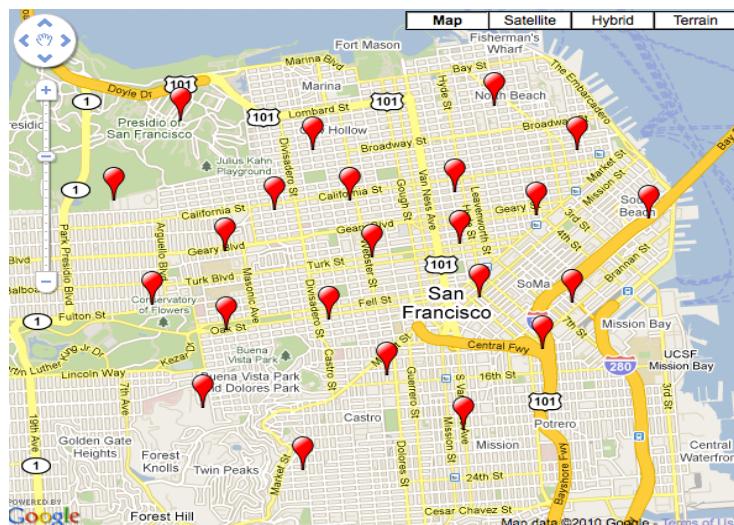
No map.clearOverlays()

Problem: How to remove all overlays from a map?

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Removing all overlays

1. Maintain a collection of Overlays added to the map
2. On clear, unbind each Overlay using setMap(null)



Migration Tips

Removing all overlays: Step 1

```
var overlays = [];
```

Create a collection of Overlay objects

```
function addMarker(map, latLng) {  
  var marker = new google.maps.Marker({  
    position: latLng,  
    map: map  
  });
```

```
// Add Marker to Overlays collection  
overlays.push(marker);
```

Add Overlay to collection when displaying on a Map

Migration Tips

Removing all overlays: Step 2

```
var overlays = [];
function clearOverlays() {
  for (var n = 0, overlay; overlay = overlays[n]; n++) {
    overlay.setMap(null);
  }
}

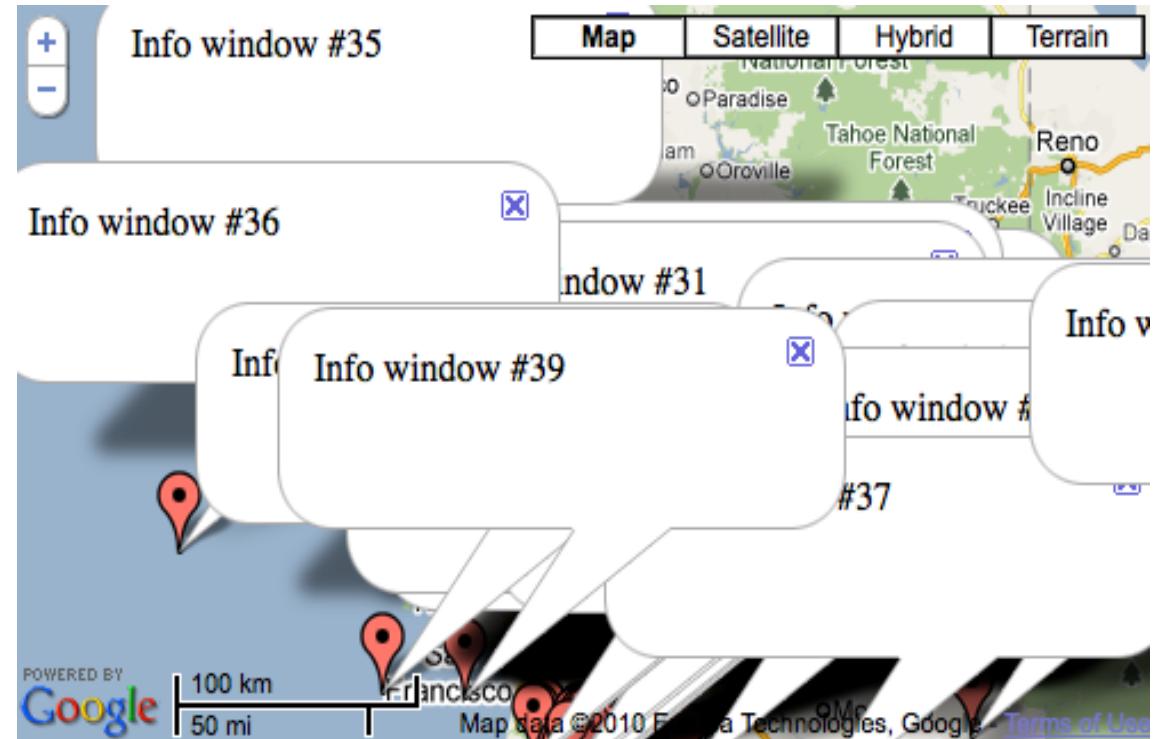
// Clear overlays from collection
overlays = [];
}
```

- Iterate through collection
- Unbind each Overlay from the Map

Migration Tips

Info windows

- Lightweight
- Same as Overlays
- Have more than one



Problem: I only want a single info window!

Migration Tips

Info windows: Using only one

```
// Global variable holding the one Info Window object
var infoWindow = new google.maps.InfoWindow();

function openInfoWindow(map, latLng, content) {
  infoWindow.setPosition(latLng);
  infoWindow.setContent(content);
  infoWindow.open(map);
}
```

- Create one global InfoWindow object
- Update its position, content, and map

Migration Tips

Custom Controls

What's different?

- No GControl class
- Custom controls are just HTML Elements:
`document.createElement('div')`
- Familiar concept

Migration Tips

Custom Controls: Creating a "Home" button

```
var homeLatLng =  
new google.maps.LatLng(41.850033, -87.6500523);  
function createHomeControl(map) {  
  var div = document.createElement('div');  
  div.className = 'home-control';  
  div.title = 'Click to set map to Home';  
  div.innerHTML = 'Home';  
  
  google.maps.event.addDomListener(div, 'click', function() {  
    map.setCenter(  
      homeLatLng  
    );  
  });  
  return div;  
}
```

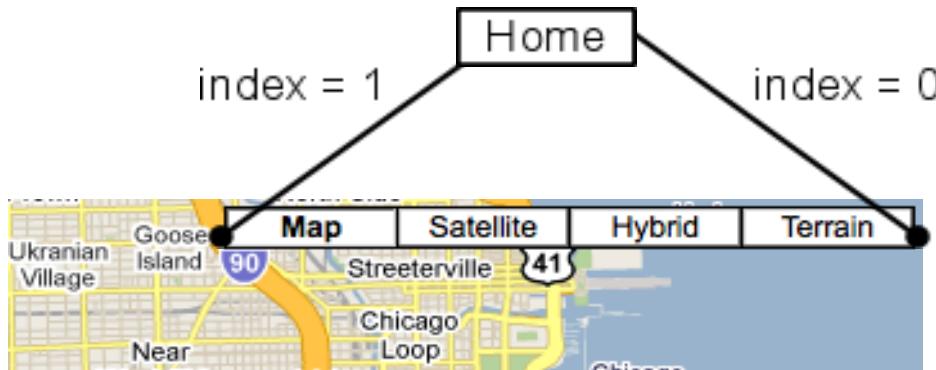


- Custom control is just a DIV
- Add DOM listeners if necessary

Migration Tips

Custom Controls: Placement and Positioning

```
var homeControlDiv = createHomeControl(map);
homeControlDiv.index = ???;
map.controls[google.maps.ControlPosition.???.push(homeControlDiv);
```



Placement

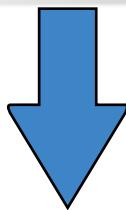
Control Positions

TOP_LEFT	TOP	TOP_RIGHT
LEFT	Map	RIGHT
BOTTOM_LEFT	BOTTOM	BOTTOM_RIGHT

Migration Tips

Custom Controls: Placement and Positioning

```
var homeControlDiv = createHomeControl(map);  
homeControlDiv.index = 1;  
map.controls[google.maps.ControlPosition.TOP_RIGHT].push(homeControlDiv);
```



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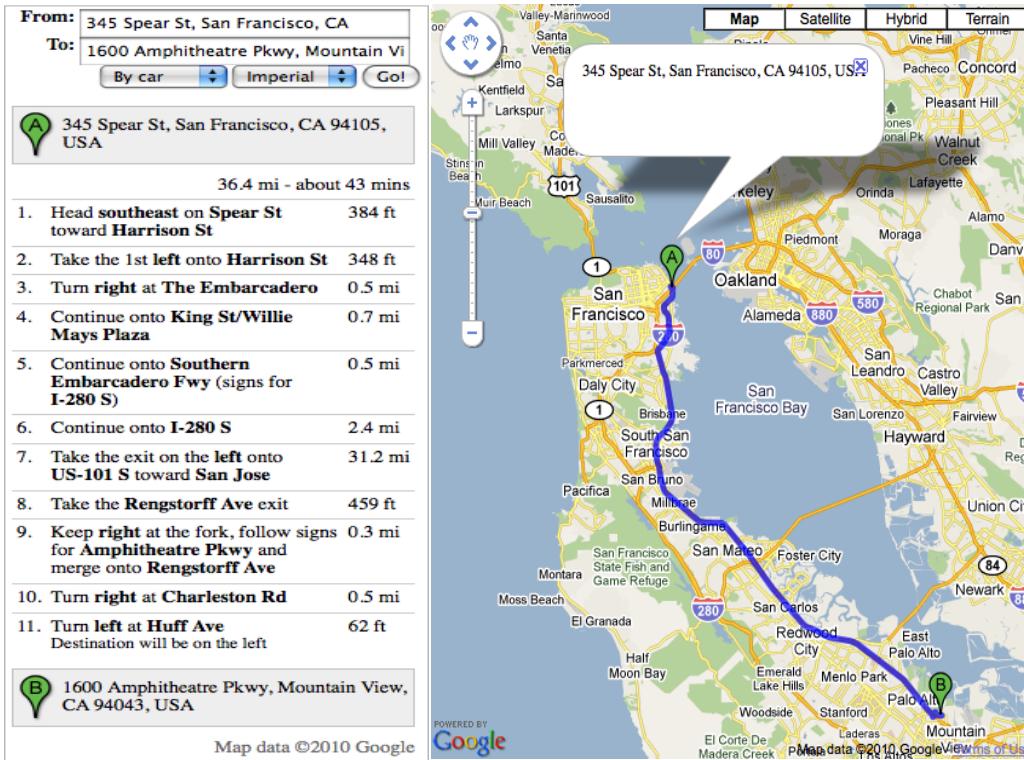
Requesting Directions in V2

```
function loadDirections(map, container) {  
  directions = new GDirections(map, container);  
  directions.load("from: 500 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, MA to: 4  
  Yawkey Way, Boston, MA 02215 (Fenway Park)");  
  GEvents.addListener(directions, 'load', doSomethingOnLoad);  
}
```

- Single Map / HTML container per GDirections object
- Single request string too loosely defined:
"from: my starting point to: my destination point"
- Event listener to know when request completes

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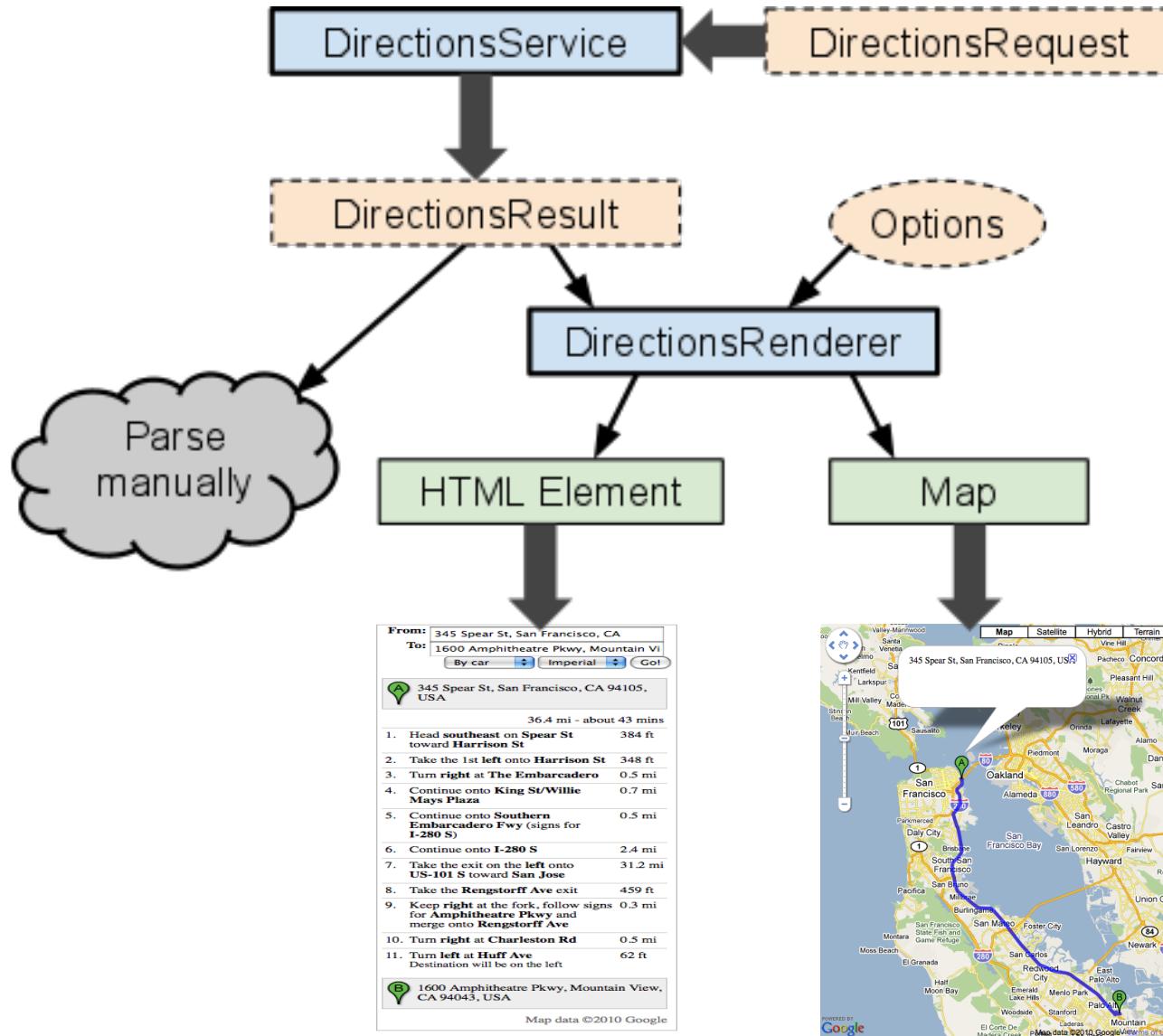
New Directions Service + Renderer



- Modular interface consistent with overall API design
- Start/end point properties
- Separate data from rendering
- Renderer settable to any Map and HTML Element

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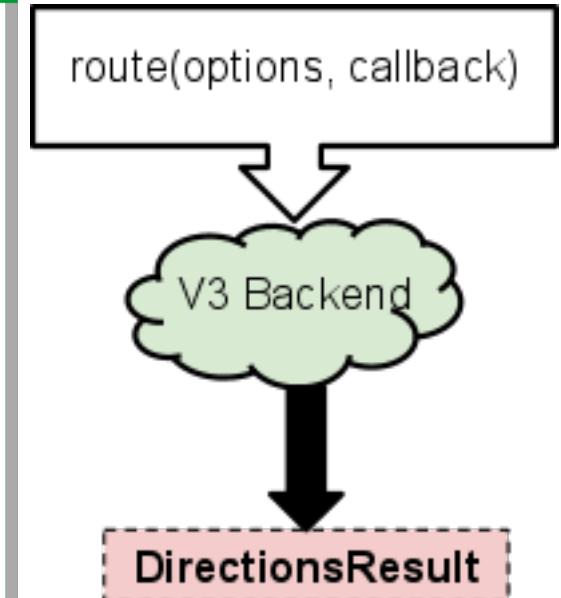
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Directions Request Specification

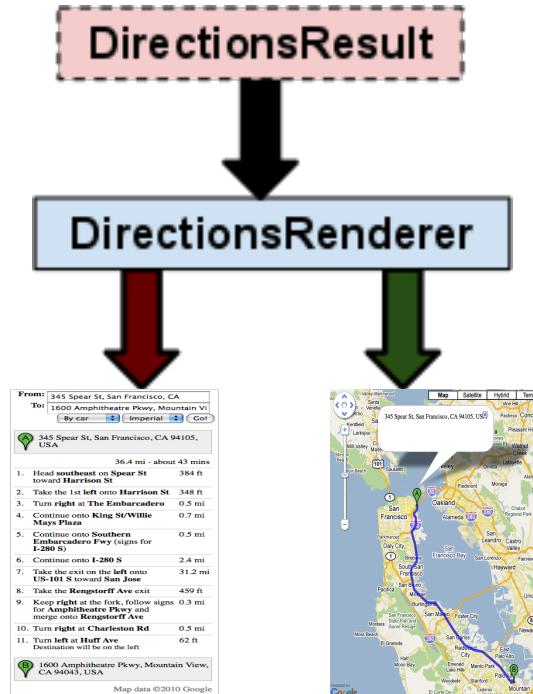
```
var dirService = new google.maps.DirectionsService();
function requestDirections() {
  var requestOptions = {
    origin: 'Sydney, Australia',
    destination: 'Moscone Center, SF, CA',
    travelMode: google.maps.DirectionsTravelMode.
    DRIVING,
    unitSystem: google.maps.DirectionsUnitSystem.METRIC,
    avoidHighways: true,
    avoidTolls: false,
    provideRouteAlternatives: true,
    region: 'us'
  };
  dirService.route(requestOptions, handleResult);
}
```



Migration Tips

Directions Renderer

```
var dirRenderer =  
    new google.maps.DirectionsRenderer();  
  
function handleResult(dirResult, dirStatus) {  
  if (dirStatus != google.maps.DirectionsStatus.OK) {  
    alert('Directions failed: ' + dirStatus);  
    return;  
  }  
  
  // Render directions on a Map and container.  
  dirRenderer.setMap(map);  
  dirRenderer.setPanel(container);  
  dirRenderer.setDirections(dirResult);  
}
```

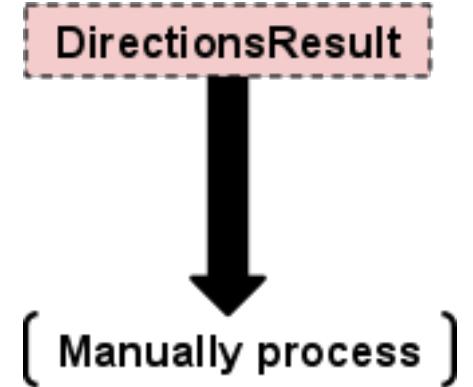


- Pass direction results to renderer
- Renderer uses a standard default UI

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Directions Result

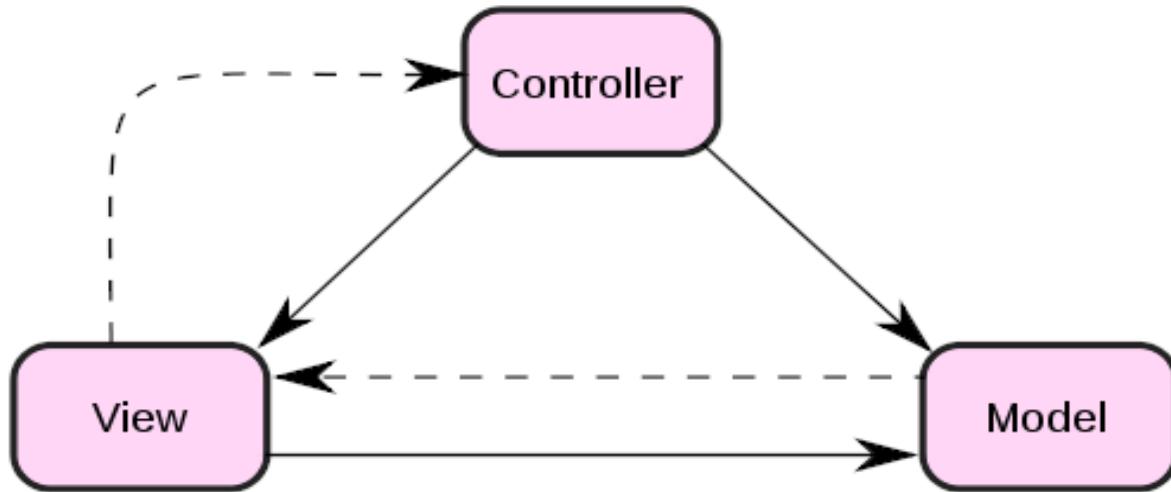
```
function handleResult(dirResult, dirStatus) {  
  if (dirStatus != google.maps.DirectionsStatus.OK) {  
    alert('Directions failed: ' + dirStatus);  
    return;  
  }  
  
  // Find total distance of the first route  
  var distance = 0;  
  var route = dirResult.routes[0];  
  for (var k = 0, leg; leg = route.legs[k]; k++) {  
    distance += leg.distance;  
  }  
  alert('First route distance: ' + distance);  
}
```



... or process DirectionsResult on your own

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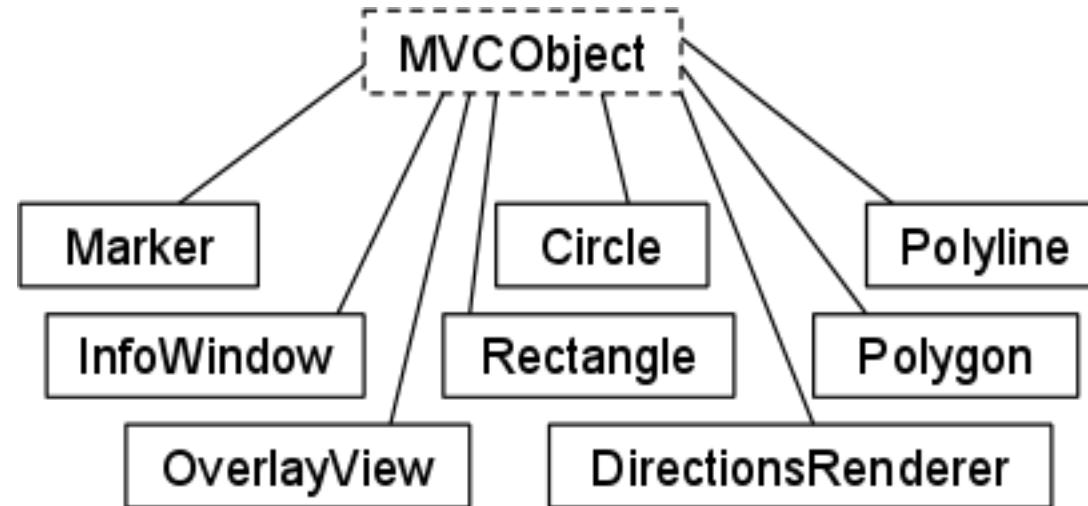
Models, Views, Controllers



- Isolates data from input and presentation
- Write more efficient code
- Use binds to keep MVC properties in sync

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Using MVC in V3



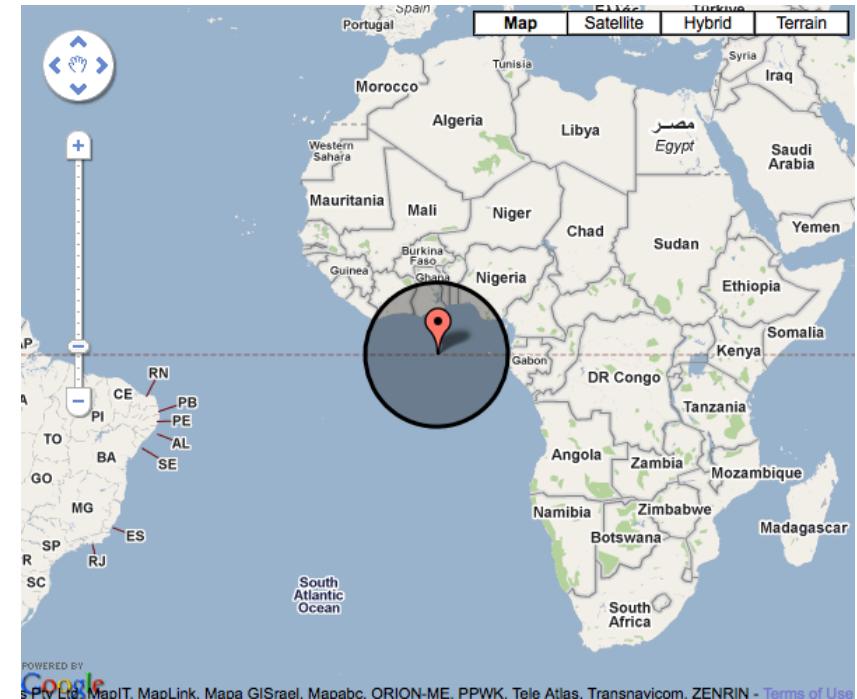
- Know what model properties are bindable
Hint: Look in the *Options specification
- Common properties: Map, LatLng, zIndex, color
- Extend MVCObject to create your own custom objects

Migration Tips

Using MVC in V3: Binding Marker to a Circle Overlay

```
// Create a draggable marker  
var marker = new google.maps.Marker({  
  map: map,  
  position: map.getCenter(),  
  draggable: true  
});
```

```
// Add a Circle overlay to the map.  
var circle = new google.maps.Circle({  
  map: map,  
  center: marker.getPosition(),  
  radius: 1000000 // 3000 km  
});
```



Problem: Drag marker to move the circle

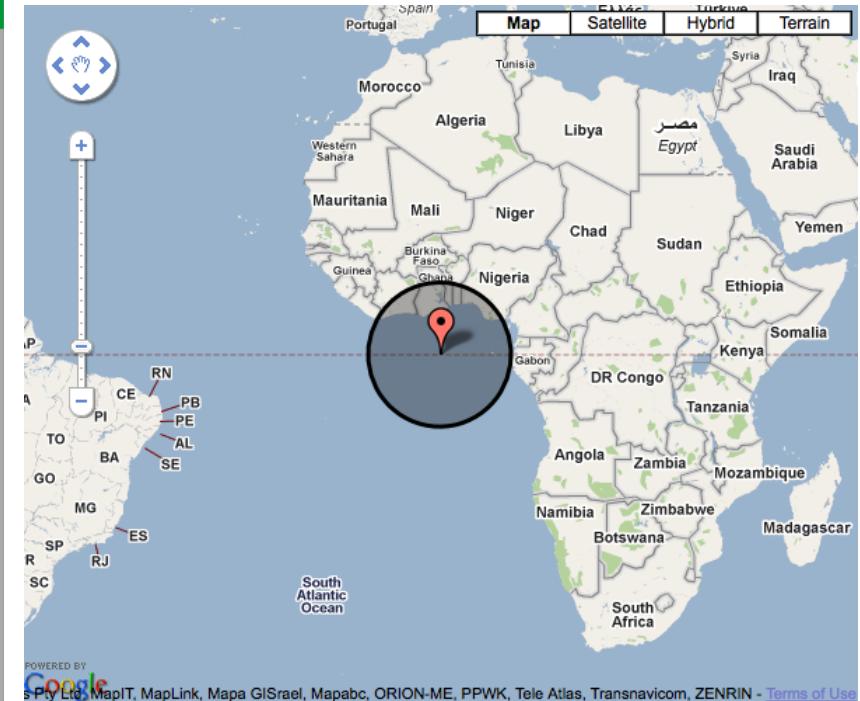
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  center: marker.getPosition(),
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google.maps.event.addListener(marker,
  'drag', function(e) {
  circle.setCenter(e.latLng);
});
```



Without MVC

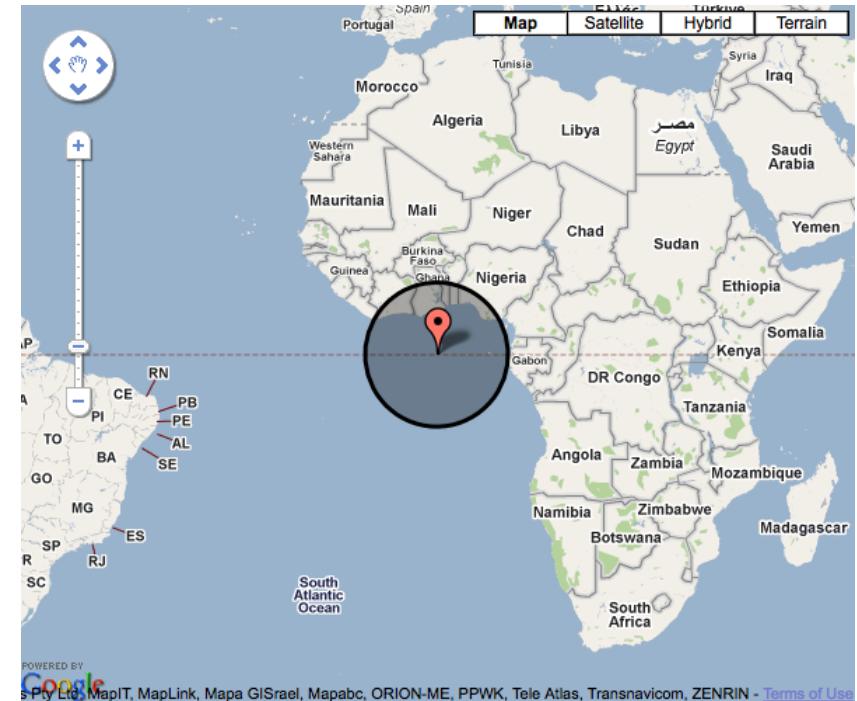
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circle.bindTo('center', marker, 'position');



Using MVC binds

Migration Tips

Using MVC in V3: Demos

1. Bind Circle to Marker
2. Binding Map to Map
3. Twitter search (pending time)

Topics Not Covered

- Geocoder
- Polygons / Polylines
- Layers (Bicycling, Traffic, Ground, Tile, KML)
- Custom overlays, map types
- Elevation service

Geo Sessions at Google I/O

Wednesday, May 19th

1:45pm: Map once, map anywhere

Developing geospatial applications for both desktop and mobile

3:00pm: Geo Session TBA

4:15pm: Unleash your map data

Cloud computing for geospatial applications

Geo Sessions at Google I/O

Thursday, May 20th

11:30am: **The SketchUp 3D API**

Working with 3D geospatial data

2:15pm: **Mapping in 3D**

Tips and tricks for Google Earth API and KML

3:30pm: **Moving beyond markers**

Advanced Maps API customization

4:45pm: **How Maps API V3 came to be (Tech Talk)**

Tips, tricks, and lessons learned in developing a cross platform desktop and mobile API (not specific to map applications)

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Street View available now in V3!



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Google Developer Qualification



Chrome
Extensions



Gadgets



Search



App
Engine



JS Maps API



KML



3D

Google Wave at I/O

<http://bit.ly/ch4DKt>

View live notes and ask questions on Google Wave

The screenshot displays the Google Wave interface. On the left, the 'Navigation' sidebar shows links for Inbox, All, By Me, Requests, Settings, Trash, and Spam. Below it is the 'Extensions' section, 'Searches', and 'Folders'. The main area shows a search results page for 'group:io2010-wave@googlegroups.com tag:io2010 1 - 31 of lots'. The results list various Google I/O 2010 sessions. A specific result, 'Live Wave: A beginner's guide to Android', is highlighted with a red box and a black arrow pointing to a callout box. This callout box contains the text 'Porting V2 JavaScript Applications To V3'. To the right of the search results is a 'Live Wave: A beginner's guide to Android' window. The window header includes the wave title, participant icons, and navigation buttons for Reply, Edit, Playback, Follow, Spam, Read, and Unread. The main content area shows a message from 'Google I/O 2010 Bot, Pamela Fox and 3 others' with the subject 'Live Wave. A beginner's guide to Android'. Below the message is a section for 'Attendees' and a 'Questions' section. A 'Google moderator' panel is visible, showing a question from 'Pamela Fox, Sydney' asking 'Can you write Android apps in Python?' with a checked checkbox. At the bottom of the wave window, there are sections for 'Recent activity' and 'Live Notes', along with a tag bar for 'android1 io2010'.

Resources

- Documentation:
<http://code.google.com/apis/maps/documentation/v3>
- General discussion group:
<http://groups.google.com/group/google-maps-js-api-v3>
- Issue tracker:
<http://code.google.com/p/gmaps-api-issues/>
- Demo gallery:
<http://code.google.com/apis/maps/documentation/v3/demogallery.html>

Questions?

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